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REMARKS

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Entry of the foregoing amendments to the claims and withdrawal of the rejections of the claims is respectfully requested.

Claims 1 and 4-25 are currently pending in this application with claims 1, 7, 9-12, 21-23, and 25 amended herein. No new matter has been added. The examiner is thanked for indicating that claims 14, 20, and 21 contain allowable subject matter and would allowed if rewritten in independent form.

The office action rejects claims 1, 4-13, 15-19, and 22-25 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 102(e) as being anticipated by U.S. Published Patent Application No. 2002/012327 to Okada. This rejection is traversed for at least the following reasons:

It is respectfully submitted that Okada fails to teach a foreign link interface having "an encapsulating cache for storing binding information as claimed in claim 1. The encapsulating cache of the instant invention associates the home address, the care of address, and the output interface with each other, as shown in Fig. 5.

As best understood, Okada teaches a pseudo-unicast path table in Fig. 11, this table merely associates the home address of the mobile host with the output interface and fails to include the "care of address" required for encapsulation. Therefore Okada's table of Fig. 11, cannot be properly equated with the encapsulating cache of the instant application. Accordingly, it is submitted that Okada fails to teach each and every limitation of independent claim 1, and thus claim 1 patentably distinguishes over Okada and is allowable.

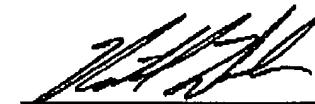
The rejected claims 4-25 are also believed to be patentable at least because of their direct or indirect dependency from claim 1.

In view of the remarks set forth above, this application is in condition for allowance which action is respectfully requested. However, if for any reason the Examiner should consider

this application not to be in condition for allowance, the Examiner is respectfully requested to telephone the undersigned attorney at the number listed below prior to issuing a further Action.

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